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NASA Brings Vision for Space Exploration to Eastern Shore Middle School

Former Astronaut Roger Crouch, NASA Langley Research Center Director Lesa Roe and NASA's Wallops Flight Facility Senior Manager John Campbell visited Arcadia Middle School, Oak Hall, Va., on Friday, Dec. 2, to kick off the newly established educational partnership between NASA and the school and to bring the Vision of Space Exploration to students and their families.

Arcadia Middle School was named one of NASA's 2005 Explorer Schools in May. The school started the program this fall and will continue the partnership for the next three years.

The NASA Explorer School (NES) program is sponsored by NASA to help educators and students join NASA's mission of discovery through educational activities and special learning opportunities tailored to promote science, mathematics and technology applications and career explorations.



NASA Photo

NASA Langley Research Center Director, Lesa Roe; Former Astronaut, Roger Crouch and NASA Wallops Flight Facility's Senior Manager, John Campbell

Over the next three years, students in the NES program will participate in digital conferences with scientists and engineers at NASA. Educators will also take the hands-on activities to their students to provide exciting learning experiences in the science, mathematics and technology fields.

Wallops Shorts.....

On the Road

Peter Bale manager of Aerosonde at Wallops recently visited the University of Maryland Eastern Shore campus in Princess Anne, Md., to give a student presentation on unmanned aerial vehicles. The students enjoyed seeing an Aerosonde vehicle up close and having a hands-on experience.

EG&G Employee Dies

Sympathy is extended to the family, friends and co-workers of Kevin East, who passed away at his residence in Greenbush, Va., on November 29. East was a vehicle mechanic for EG&G at NASA Wallops Flight Facility. He is survived by his wife Lucy Brinn East and parents Billy and Laura East of Parksley. Memorial donations may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Construction Zone

Work is being delayed on the Building E-104 and E-105 parking lot (west side) due to inclement weather. Work will resume as soon as weather permits.



Wallops Awards Ceremony & Holiday Party

December 16

2:30 - 4 p.m. in Building D-10 (Gymnasium)

The Voices of Wallops will perform.

The Wallops Exchange and Morale Association Executive Board invites all Wallops employees to a Holiday Party in Building F-3, the Rocket Club, immediately following the Awards Ceremony

Music by JustJazz begins at 5 p.m.

"Iron Jawed Angels"



Photo by Sandra Kleckner

Remember the free tickets that were distributed by the Women of Wallops (above) during the American Heritage Parade? The tickets are for the movie, "Iron Jawed Angels", which will be shown on December 12 and 13, from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. in the Building E-2, Training Room. Free popcorn!

"Iron Jawed Angels", filmed in Richmond, Va., features Oscar-winner Hilary Swank. The movie portrays a contemporary look at a pivotal event in American history. It tells the true story about a pair of defiant and brilliant young activists that took the women's suffrage movement by storm, putting their lives at risk to help American women win the right to vote.

Wallops Exchange and Morale Association, Moral Activities Committee

presents a

Double Elimination 8-Ball Pool Tournament



Thursday, December 8
5:30 p.m. in Building F-3, Rocket Club

Contact: Rob Cass at x2376 or Robert.Cass.1@gsfc.nasa.gov

Just in time for the holidays!

Milk chocolate & white chocolate covered pecans, pecan halves and cashews



Now available at the Exchange Store Building E-2

Contact Karen Shannon at x2020 for more information

It Was a Mild Autumn, by Ted Wilz, Senior Meteorologist



The mild weather trend that we have been experiencing this year continued into November with temperatures averaging over 61 degrees, just over two degrees above normal.

We reached 70 degrees or better on 8 days, but there were no record high temperatures set during the month. Offshore, southwesterly winds on October 14 brought the warmest temperature, 74 degrees, for the month.

Temperatures dipped into the 20's during four days in October. The coldest day was Saturday morning, October 26, when we set a new record low of 23 degrees.

Unlike October, which was very wet, November proved to be an average month for precipitation.

We had 2.51 inches of rain, slightly below our monthly average of 2.73 inches. We had nine days with measurable rainfall. Most of the rain occurred on, November 21, when we had 1.48 inches of rain courtesy of a "Nor'easter".

Holiday Decorations

The Wallops Safety Office and fire department want you to have a safe and happy holiday season. The following guidelines should be followed when decorating:

- The only acceptable trees to be set up in Wallops Flight Facility buildings are live trees with the root balls attached or artificial trees made of noncombustible materials.

- Christmas trees cannot be placed in corridors, exit ways, or other egress areas.



- Christmas lights must be of the miniature type and approved by an independent testing laboratory, such as UL. Always comply with the manufacturer's recommendation if you intend to connect strings of lights in series.

- Insure electrical wall outlets are not overloaded. Have a qualified person evaluate your electrical power needs.

- Route all wiring out of pedestrian traffic areas. Never secure wiring with staples!

- Use only non-combustible decorations.

- Open flames (such as candles) can not be located on or near Christmas trees or any combustible material. Contact the Wallops Fire Department to secure a burn permit before using candles or decorations with open flame.

- Do not hang decorations from fire sprinkler pipes or heads. Always insure the sprinkler head spray pattern will not be blocked in the event of a fire.

- Decorative lights may be turned on only during business hours.

- Contact the Wallops Safety Office at x2369 or the Wallops Fire Department at x1300 if you have questions or need assistance.

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